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In the Matter of Withdrawal	of:	)	Docket No.97A-159-INS
SOUTHLAWN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (NAIC No. 79200),		)	ORDER
Petitioner.		)	

On December 9, 1997, the Office of Administrative Hearings, through Administrative Law Judge Lewis D. Kowal, submitted "Recommended Decision of Administrative Law Judge" ("Recommended Decision"), a copy of which is attached and incorporated by this reference. The Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance has reviewed the Recommended Decision and enters the following order:

- 1. The recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law are adopted.
- The Petitioner may file its Articles of Dissolution with Arizona Corporation Commission.
- The Petitioner is entitled to the release of its statutory deposit in the sum of \$100,000.00 and that the statutory deposit will be released to the Petitioner after the Department has received the following: (a) a payment of \$349.60 to the Insurance Examiners' Revolving Fund; (b) a copy of Petitioner's Articles of Dissolution certified as having been filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission; and (c) a fully executed Form E126 (Notice of Trust Deposit Release). statutory deposit cannot be released until the Department

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receives a fully executed copy of the official State Treasurer Release Receipt.

- 4. The sum of \$100.00 previously credited to the Insurance Examiners' Revolving Fund will be refunded to the Petitioner, pursuant to A.R.S. §20-159.
- 5. The Petitioner will file its 1997 Annual Statement with the Department, together with all applicable fees, unless Petitioner files its Articles of Dissolution with the Arizona Corporation Commission on or before December 31, 1997.

#### NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

The aggrieved party may request a rehearing with respect to this Order by filing a written petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within 30 days of the date of this Order, setting forth the basis for such relief pursuant to A.A.C. R20-6-114(B).

The final decision of the Director may be appealed to the Superior Court of Maricopa County for judicial review pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-166. A party filing an appeal must notify the Office of Administrative Hearings of the appeal within ten days after filing the complaint commencing the appeal, pursuant to A.R.S. §41-1092.10.

DATED this day of December, 1997

John A. Greene

Director of Insurance

COPY of the foregoing mailed this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of <u>December</u>, 1997 to:

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### IN THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

In the Matter of the Withdrawal of

SOUTHLAWN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (NAIC No. 79200),

Petitioner.

No. 97A-159-INS

RECOMMENDED DECISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

**HEARING:** November 25, 1997

<u>APPEARANCES</u>: Philip T. Paris, Esq. on behalf of the Petitioner; Kurt Regner on behalf of the Arizona Department of Insurance

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:** Lewis D. Kowal

On November 25, 1997, a hearing took place to consider the application of Southlawn Life Insurance Company (the "Petitioner"), to withdraw from the insurance business and for the release of its statutory deposit pursuant to A.R.S. §20-588 and A.A.C. R20-6-303.

Based upon the entire record in this matter, the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommended Order are made:

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Petitioner has surrendered its Certificate of Authority to the Department.
- 2. The Petitioner has filed with the Department certified copies of Resolutions of the Petitioner's Board of Directors and of the Petitioner's shareholder(s) authorizing Petitioner to withdraw from the insurance business by dissolution.
- 3. The Petitioner has no insurance obligations owing to it, whether by policies written direct or by reinsurance ceded to it.
- 4. The Petitioner has filed its certified financial statement as of June 30, 1997, with the Department.
- 5. At least 10 business days before the hearing of this matter, Petitioner gave special notice to creditors and policyholders of the Petitioner, setting forth the date, place, nature and purpose of the hearing, as evidenced by an affidavit of

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publication. Petitioner also represented that it has no creditors in the State of Arizona and has no remaining obligations or liabilities in the State of Arizona.

- 6. The Petitioner has a \$100,000.00 statutory deposit with the Department and a \$100.00 deposit with the Insurance Examiners' Revolving Fund ("IERF").
- 7. The Petitioner has complied with the provisions of A.R.S. §20-588 and with A.A.C. R20-6-303, relating to the release of its \$100,000.00 statutory deposit.
  - 8. Petitioner currently owes \$349.60 to the IERF.

#### **RECOMMENDED ORDER**

The undersigned Administrative Law Judge recommends that:

- 1. The Petitioner may file its Articles of Dissolution with the Arizona Corporation Commission.
- 2. The Petitioner is entitled to the release of its statutory deposit in the sum of \$100,000.00 and that the statutory deposit shall be released to the Petitioner after the Department has received the following: (a) payment of \$349.60 to the IERF; (b) a copy of Petitioner's Articles of Dissolution certified as having been filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission; and (c) a fully executed Form E126 (Notice of Trust Deposit Release). The statutory deposit cannot be released until the Department receives a fully executed copy of the official State Treasurer Release Receipt.
- 3. The sum of \$100.00 previously credited to the IERF be refunded to the Petitioner, pursuant to A.R.S. §20-159.
- 4. The Petitioner file its 1997 Annual Statement with the Department, together with all applicable fees, unless Petitioner files its Article of Dissolution with the Arizona Corporation Commission on or before December 31, 1997.

Done this day, December 9, 1997.

LEWIS D. KOWAL

Administrative Law Judge

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